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locations for a commodity are listed, the mandatory provisions of the JWOD Act apply only to the portion or portions of the commodity indicated by the Procurement List.

(b) For services, where an agency and location or geographic area are listed on the Procurement List, only the service for the location or geographic area listed must be procured from the nonprofit agency, except as provided in §51-6.14 of this chapter. Where no location or geographic area is indicated by the Procurement List, it is mandatory that the total Government requirement for that service be procured from a nonprofit agency.

(c) When a commodity or service is added to the Procurement List, the addition does not affect contracts for the commodity or service awarded prior to the effective date of the Procurement List addition or options exercised under those contracts.

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§51-5.4 Purchase exceptions.

(a) A central nonprofit agency will normally grant a purchase exception for a contracting activity to procure from commercial sources commodities or services on the Procurement List when both of the following conditions are met:

(1) The central nonprofit agency or its nonprofit agency(ies) cannot furnish a commodity or service within the period specified, and

(2) The commodity or service is available from commercial sources in the quantities needed and significantly sooner than it will be available from the nonprofit agency(ies).

(b) The central nonprofit agency may grant a purchase exception when the quantity involved is not sufficient to be furnished economically by the nonprofit agency(ies).

(c) The Committee may also grant a purchase exception for the reasons set forth in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section.

(d) The central nonprofit agency shall obtain the approval of the Committee before granting a purchase exception when the value of the procurement exceeds the simplified acquisition

threshold set forth in the Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act of 1994 or any subsequent amendments thereto.

(e) When the central nonprofit agency grants a purchase exception under the above conditions, it shall do so promptly and shall specify the quantities and delivery period covered by the exception.

(f) When a purchase exception is granted under paragraph (a) of this section:

(1) Contracting activities shall initiate purchase actions within 15 days following the date of the purchase exception. The deadline may be extended by the central nonprofit agency with, in cases of procurements exceeding the simplified acquisition threshold, the concurrence of the Committee.

(2) Contracting activities shall furnish a copy to the solicitation to the appropriate central nonprofit agency at the time it is issued, and a copy of the annotated bid abstract upon awarding of the commercial contract.

(g) Any decision by a central nonprofit agency regarding a purchase exception may be appealed to the Committee by the contracting activity.

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§51-5.5 Prices.

(a) The prices for items on the Procurement List are fair market prices established by the Committee.

(b) Prices for commodities include applicable packaging, packing, and marking. Prices include transportation to point of delivery as specified in §51-5.6.

(c) Price changes for commodities and services shall usually apply to orders received by the nonprofit agency on or after the effective date of the change. In special cases, after considering the views of the contracting activity, the Committee may make price changes applicable to orders received by the nonprofit agency prior to the effective date of the change.

(d) To assist the Committee in revising the fair market prices for services on the Procurement List, upon request from the central nonprofit agency, the contracting activity should take the following actions:

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(1) Submit to the Department of Labor in a timely fashion a request for wage determination rate.

(2) Provide a copy of the new wage determination rate or the Department of Labor document stating that the wage determination rate is unchanged and a completed Standard Form 98, "Notice of Intention to Make a Service Contract and Response to Notice," to the central nonprofit agency at least 90 days before the beginning of the new service period.

(3) Provide to the central nonprofit agency at least 90 days before the beginning of the new service period a copy of the statement of work applicable to the new service period.

(e) If a contracting activity desires packing, packaging, or marking of products other than the standard pack or as provided in the Procurement List, the difference in cost thereof, if any, shall be added as a separate item on the purchase order.

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§51-5.6 Shipping.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section for commodities other than military resale commodities, delivery is accomplished when a shipment is placed aboard the vehicle of the initial carrier. Time of delivery is when the shipment is released to and accepted by the initial carrier.

(b) Method of transportation to destination shall normally be by Government bills of lading although the contracting activity may designate another method of transportation on its order, in accordance with Committee procedures. Government bills of lading may accompany orders or be otherwise furnished, but shall be supplied promptly. If the contracting activity fails to designate a method of transportation or furnish a Government bill of lading promptly, it shall constitute an excusable cause for delay in delivery.

(c) The Committee may determine that for certain commodity orders, delivery is accomplished when the shipment is delivered to the purchaser's facility (plant, warehouse, store, lot, or other location to which shipment can be made). Time of delivery for these or-

ders is when the shipment is released by the carrier and accepted by the purchaser. Under this method of transportation, the nonprofit agency will normally ship by commercial bills of lading and will be responsible for any loss or damage to the goods occurring before receipt of the shipment at the delivery point specified. The nonprofit agency will prepare and distribute commercial bills of lading, furnish a delivery schedule and designate the mode of delivering carrier, and pay all charges to the specified point of delivery.

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§51-5.7 Payments.

Payments for products or services of persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities shall be made within 30 days after shipment or receipt of a proper invoice or voucher.

§51-5.8 Violations by entities of the Government.

Any alleged violations of the JWOD Act or these regulations by entities of the Government shall be investigated by the Committee, which shall notify the entity and afford it an opportunity to submit a statement.

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